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Summary

The Executive Director *recommends* that the Executive Board approve an interim one-month allocation for the support budget for January 2006 in the amount of $25,600,000 pending the Board's approval of the biennial support budget for 2006-2007 at its first regular session of 2006.

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1. In its decision 2004/7 (E/ICEF/2004/7/Rev.1 and E/ICEF/2004/AB/L.2), the Executive Board decided that the biennial support budget for 2006-2007 would be reviewed at the first regular session in January 2006, and that at the second regular session of 2005, an advance allocation would be approved for the month of January 2006, based upon the previous year's expenditures for January.

2. In accordance with this decision, the Executive Director is submitting to the Executive Board for its approval an interim one-month budget allocation for January 2006 in the amount of $25.6 million, which represents actual expenditures for January 2005. This interim allocation will be absorbed in the proposed biennial support budget for 2006-2007 and does not include any planned changes that may be contained in the proposed budget.

3. Therefore, the Executive Director *recommends* that the Executive Board adopt the following draft decision:

The Executive Board,

Taking note of its decision 2004/7 (E/ICEF/2004/7/Rev.1 and E/ICEF/2004/AB/L.2) on the timing of the approval of the UNICEF biennial support budget,

1. *Approves* an interim one-month budget allocation for January 2006 in the amount of $25.6 million, pending final approval of the biennial support budget for 2006-2007;

2. *Notes* that the interim allocation does not include any changes that may be proposed in the biennial support budget for 2006-2007;

3. *Agrees* that the interim budget allocation will be absorbed in the biennial support budget for 2006-2007.